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Title: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD

THEREFOR

The prior application is assigned of record to Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation, by virtue of an assignment recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office on September 16, 1997 at Reel/Frame 8724/0439.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

	Pages
Specification	45
Claims	6
Abstract	1
Declaration	2 (copy from parent application)
Drawing(s)	18

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Enclosures:

- Rule 63 declaration, copy from a previous application under rule 63(d) for continuation or divisional only.
- Information Disclosure Statement: Applicant calls attention to documents listed on attached form(s) PTO-892 and PTO-1449 from parent case(s). Per Rule 97(d) copies of those documents are not provided.
- Postcard.

This application is a divisional (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 08/931,697, filed September 16, 1997. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

Priority is claimed under 35 USC §119 based on priority application serial number 8-269215, filed September 18, 1996, in Japan.

Preliminary Amendment:

<u>Page 1 of the specification, before line 1, insert.</u> This is a divisional of U.S. application serial no. 08/931,697, filed September 16, 1997 (allowed).--

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